

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING, August 19, 2020

The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of St. Croix Falls was called to order by Chairman Frank Behning at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 19, 2020, at the Town Hall. Proper notice was given as the agenda was posted at the town hall and on the town's website August 14, 2020. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Present by roll call were Chairman Frank Behning, supervisors Katie Appel and Sharon Kelly. Also present were public works employee Steve Jacobs and legal counsel Adam Jarchow. Town clerk Janet Krueger was present by telephone. Supervisor Mike Dorsey arrived at 6:40 pm. Others in attendance were Cheryl Clemens representing the Deer Lake Conservancy. Kelly/Appel **moved** to approve the agenda; **motion carried**. Kelly/Appel **moved** to approve the minutes as printed for the July 15, 2020, town board meeting; **motion carried**.

Public comment: Ms. Clemens stated that the Deer Lake Improvement Association has a crew that will be removing aquatic forget-me-not, an invasive species, near the boat landing.

Committee, Commission and Employee Reports: Chairman Behning presented the treasurer's report. Receipts for the period ending July 31, 2020, amounted to \$39,982.60, cash balance on July 31, 2020, was \$229,036.82. Appel/Kelly **moved** to receive the treasurer's report; **motion carried**. Mr. Jacobs gave the highway report. Mr. Jacobs stated that 220th Street project was complete; brush that was piled on the boat landing property has been cleaned up and the area will be mowed going forward; and while assisting the Town of Garfield on a project, the Town of Garfield dug out the culvert on 180th Street that had been filled in by the property owner. Ms. Krueger gave the clerk report. Appel/Kelly **moved** to adopt Resolution 20-18 amending the 2020 budget; **motion carried** on a unanimous roll-call vote, 3-0.

Resolution 20-18

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2020 BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF ST. CROIX FALLS

WHEREAS the Town of St. Croix Falls had \$222,981.29 General Operations Fund on December 31, 2019, which included \$99,931.99 left over from the 2019 Budget; and

WHEREAS the Town Board built in \$30,000.00 of the unused money from the 2019 Budget into the 2020 Budget; and

WHEREAS the Town Board intended to use the remaining 2019 funds and additional funds in the General Operations Fund for road projects in 2020; and

WHEREAS the revenue receipted in the General Operations Fund for the building permits offsets the expense payable for the building inspections (Inspections Account).

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of St. Croix Falls, Polk County, Wisconsin, that the sum of one-hundred five-thousand dollars (\$105,000.00) is hereby transferred from the General Operations Fund of which \$100,000.00 will be transferred to the Highway and Street Maintenance Account and \$5,000.00 will be transferred into the Inspections Account.

Kelly/Appel **moved** to approve payment of vouchers 20-196 through 20-236 amounting to \$101,860.42; **motion carried** on a unanimous roll-call vote, 3-0. The 2020 year to date budget summaries were reviewed. The building permit/building inspection log was reviewed. Chairman Behning gave the zoning administration report. Supervisor Kelly

inquired about the town's regulation of CAFO and stated the last time the comprehensive plan was reviewed was in 2015 and wondered if it needed to be reviewed again.

New Business: Ms. Clemens representing the Deer Lake Conservancy discussed a potential DNR grant used to preserve and enhance the water quality and was looking at a potential project by extending a culvert under 140th Avenue that would help eliminate some of the debris from washing into the culvert and downstream. Kelly/Dorsey **moved** to write a letter supporting the Deer Lake Conservancy in pursuing a grant with mitigating runoff of road right-of-ways into creeks that flow into the lake; **motion carried**. Appel/Mike **moved** to approve the purchase of three thousand two hundred fifty (3,250) gallons of propane at one dollar and fourteen cents (\$1.14) as part of the pre buy program with Polk Burnett Propane; **motion carried** on a unanimous roll-call vote, 4-0. Kelly/Appel **moved** to adopt Resolution 20-19 approving additional operator licenses for the year ending June 30, 2021; **motion carried** on a unanimous roll-call vote, 4-0.

Resolution 20-19

A RESOLUTION APPROVING ADDITIONAL OPERATOR LICENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021

WHEREAS the individuals listed below have made application to the Town Clerk requesting an operator's license pursuant to Sections 125.32(2) and 125.68(2) of the Wisconsin Statutes for the year ending June 30, 2021, and

WHEREAS the applications appear to be complete and the required fee has been paid;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of St. Croix Falls does approve and grant operator's licenses to:

Carlson, Catherine A 30080 Redwing Ave, Shafer, MN 55074, 2021-46
Miller, Bridget Levi Marie 251 George Ave, Amery, WI 54001, 2021-47
Neuman, Nancy K. PO Box 22554, Eagan, MN 55122, 2021-48
OKeefe, Becky Jo 332 Arlington Blvd N, Amery, WI 54001, 2021-49
Sajna, Cassandra Lee 801 233rd St, Osceola, WI 54020, 2021-50

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be authorized to issue the licenses as the case may be.

Appel/Kelly **moved** to approve the purchase of the Wisconsin Towns Association Fall Workshop webinars and the Wisconsin Towns Association Convention webinars; **motion carried** on a unanimous roll-call vote, 4-0.

The next town board meeting is scheduled for September 16, 2020. Agenda items are set the 2021 Budget Workshop, part-time help for plowing snow; consider comp plan review and update board members on the town's ordinance regarding CAFO's.

There being no further business, Kelly/Dorsey **moved** to adjourn the meeting; **motion carried** and the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Janet Krueger, town clerk.